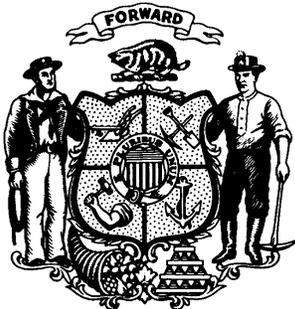


State of Wisconsin



2021 Assembly Bill 937

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2021 WISCONSIN ACT

AN ACT to amend 108.06 (1) and 108.142 (4); and to create 108.06 (1m) and 227.01 (13) (yL) of the statutes; relating to: the amount of benefits received under the unemployment insurance law.

The people of the state of Wisconsin, represented in senate and assembly, do enact as follows:

SECTION 1. 108.06 (1) of the statutes is amended to read:

108.06 (1) Except as provided in sub. (6) and ss. 108.141 and 108.142, no claimant may receive total benefits based on employment in a base period greater than 26 times the number of weeks determined under sub. (1m) multiplied by the claimant's weekly benefit rate under s. 108.05 (1) or 40 percent of the claimant's base period wages, whichever is lower. Except as provided in sub. (6) and ss. 108.141 and 108.142, if a claimant's base period wages are reduced or canceled under s. 108.04 (5) or (18), or suspended under s. 108.04 (1) (f), (10) (a), or (17), the claimant may not receive total benefits based on employment in a base period greater than 26 times the number of weeks determined under sub. (1m) multiplied by the claimant's weekly benefit rate under s. 108.05 (1) or 40 percent of the base period wages not reduced, can-

celed or suspended which were paid or payable to the claimant, whichever is lower.

SECTION 2. 108.06 (1m) of the statutes is created to read:

108.06 (1m) (a) The department shall determine the maximum number of weeks of regular benefits under sub. (1) by calculating for the first and 3rd quarter of each year the average of the seasonally adjusted statewide unemployment rates for the months in the quarter, as determined by the bureau of labor statistics for the U.S. department of labor. For claimants whose benefit years begin on or after January 1 and before July 1 of any year, the department shall make the determination by using the 3rd calendar quarter of the preceding year. For claimants whose benefit years begin after June 30 and on or before December 31 of any year, the department shall make the determination by using the first calendar quarter of that year. For benefit years to which each determination applies, the maximum number of weeks of regular benefits is as follows: [See Figure 108.06 (1m) (a) following]

Figure 108.06 (1m) (a):

<u>Statewide average unemployment rate</u>	<u>Maximum weeks of benefits</u>
Greater than 9.0 percent	26
Greater than 8.5 percent but less than or equal to 9.0 percent	25
Greater than 8.0 percent but less than or equal to 8.5 percent	24

* Section 991.11, WISCONSIN STATUTES: Effective date of acts. "Every act and every portion of an act enacted by the legislature over the governor's partial veto which does not expressly prescribe the time when it takes effect shall take effect on the day after its date of publication."

Greater than 7.5 percent but less than or equal to 8.0 percent	23
Greater than 7.0 percent but less than or equal to 7.5 percent	22
Greater than 6.5 percent but less than or equal to 7.0 percent	21
Greater than 6.0 percent but less than or equal to 6.5 percent	20
Greater than 5.5 percent but less than or equal to 6.0 percent	19
Greater than 5.0 percent but less than or equal to 5.5 percent	18
Greater than 4.5 percent but less than or equal to 5.0 percent	17
Greater than 4.0 percent but less than or equal to 4.5 percent	16
Greater than 3.5 percent but less than or equal to 4.0 percent	15
Less than or equal to 3.5 percent	14

(b) The maximum number of weeks of regular benefits payable to a claimant under sub. (1) in the first week of the claimant’s benefit year remains the same regardless of the maximum number of weeks of regular benefits in effect in any subsequent week that benefits become payable to the claimant.

(c) The department shall publish on its Internet site a notice about the maximum number of weeks of regular benefits available as calculated in accordance with this subsection.

SECTION 3. 108.142 (4) of the statutes is amended to read:

108.142 (4) DURATION OF WISCONSIN SUPPLEMENTAL BENEFITS. During a Wisconsin supplemental benefit period, no claimant may receive total benefits based on employment in a base period greater than ~~34 times~~ the

sum of the number of weeks determined under s. 108.06 (1m) and 8, multiplied by the claimant’s weekly benefit rate under s. 108.05 (1) or 40 percent of wages paid or payable to the claimant in his or her base period under s. 108.04 (4) (a), whichever is lower.

SECTION 4. 227.01 (13) (yL) of the statutes is created to read:

227.01 (13) (yL) Determines, under s. 108.06 (1m), the maximum number of weeks of regular unemployment insurance benefits available under s. 108.06 (1).

SECTION 5. Initial applicability.

(1) This act first applies with respect to benefit years established on the effective date of this subsection.

SECTION 6. Effective date.

(1) This act takes effect on July 3, 2022.